

Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

10/530,144

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 9 Jan 2009.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 17-20, 23-26, 36, 38, 40-46 (Renumbered as 1-17).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: ____.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date ____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date ____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date ____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date 20090708.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other ____.

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DETAILED ACTION

An appeal conference was held on July 13, 2009 with conferees Eddie C. Lee, Hosain T. Alam and the Examiner. A decision was made not to go to the Board.

Upon further search, further consultation, and reconsideration, a decision was made to negotiate an Examiner's Amendment to put the case into condition for allowance.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Lynn Alstadt (Reg. No. 29,362) as referred from Janet D. Hood (Reg. 61,142) on 8 July 2009.

Secondary authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a follow-up telephone interview with Lynn Alstadt (Reg. 29,362) on 17 July 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

Claims 17-20, 23-26, 36, 38, 40-46 have been amended as follows:

Claim 17: replace "wherein" at line 2 with "comprising:".

Claims 18-20, 23-26, 36, 40-46: delete the word "patent" at line 1.

Claim 36: replace "portable" at line 4 with "portal"

Claim 38: replace "An" at line 1 with "A".

Claim 39 is canceled.

Claim 45: replace the phrase "data area not to be displayed" at lines 1-2 with "non-displayable area of the web page".

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 17-20, 23-26, 36, 38, 40-46 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicant's arguments presented in the appeal brief filed 1/0/2009 have been considered and are persuasive. Prior art of record do not teach the combination of claimed elements as recited in independent claims 17, and 38. Dependent claims 18-20, 23-26, 36, 40-46 are allowed at least by virtue of their dependency from claims 17, 38.

Thus, prior art of record neither renders obvious nor anticipates the combination of claimed elements in light of the specification. After a further search and a thorough examination of the present application and in light of the prior art made of record, claims are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Contact Information

The examiner's supervisor, Hosain Alam can be reached on (571) 272-3978. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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